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SUBJECT: HUMAN RIGHTS PUBLIC ALLEGATION

1. THERE FOLLOWS THE FULL TEXT OF AN ITEM ON ALLEGED EMBASSY MISREADING OF PRESIDENT MARCOS' HUMAN RIGHTS POSITION WHICH APPEARED IN THE DAILY EXPRESS JUNE 20.

QUOTE WHILE PRESIDENT CARTER'S HUMAN RIGHTS SERMONS ARE BEING REBUFFED ALMOST EVERYWHERE, ONLY THE PHILIPPINES IS STANDING BY TO SWEAR BY IT. UNFORTUNATELY, THE AMERICAN EMBASSY PEOPLE IN MANILA MISREAD THE PRESIDENT'S ADHERENCE TO HUMAN RIGHTS AS WEAKNESS. AIDED BY THE OPPOSITION FRIENDS OF THE EMBASSY, THE AMERICAN EXPERTS IN MANILA ARE FLASHING THE WRONG READINGS TO WASHINGTON. AND THE EMBASSY PEOPLE ARE GIVING THE WRONG READINGS TO THE LOCAL OPPOSITION WHO GAVE THEM TO THE EMBASSY IN THE FIRST PLACE.

UNWITTINGLY, THE AMERICAN STANCE IS PUSHING THE PHILIPPINES FARTHER AWAY, NOT NEARER. VERY SOON, THEY MAY GET THE SURPRISE OF THEIR LIVES IN WASHINGTON WHEN THE PHILIPPINES CLOSES UP TO OTHER NATIONS. MANY COLONIAL-MINDED FILIPINOS THINK IN TERMS OF FIVE OR SIX YEARS AGO WHEN WASHINGTON CALLED

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THE SHOTS FOR THE MANILA GOVERNMENT. IT AIN'T SO ANYMORE. THEY'LL SOON WAKE UP TO THIS. AND THE EXPERTS OF ROXAS BOULEVARD WILL BE SURPRISED THEMSELVES. IT'S NOT THAT SIMPLE ANYMORE. UNQUOTE.

2. THERE FOLLOWS THE TEXT OF A LETTER SENT TODAY BY THE CHARGE TO MR. TEODORO F. VALENCIA: QUOTE CONTRARY TO THE

ASSERTATION IN YOUR COLUMN OF JUNE 20, I CONSIDER THE
PRESIDENT'S ADHERENCE TO HUMAN RIGHTS TO BE A STRENGTH
NOT A WEAKNESS. THE REMAINDER OF YOUR PARAGRAPH IS
EQUALLY MISINFORMED; IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO IMPROVE YOUR
SOURCES, PLEASE GIVE ME A CALL. UNQUOTE.

3. COMMENT: THE COLUMN CITED WAS DISCUSSED WITH MARCOS
AT LUNCH JUNE 20, AS REPORTED SEPTTEL.
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